



# TOWN OF ROCKLAND

## Board of Selectmen

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### Town Administrator:

Allan R. Chiocca

### Executive Assistant:

Susan M. Ide

## MINUTES of January 20, 2015

### SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Tuesday, January 20, 2015 @ 7 p.m.

H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM  
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET  
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOS for Anthony "Tony" DelPrete  
Retired Rockland Firefighter

#### Chairman Kimball read:

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### 1. OPEN FORUM

-Starwood and Pulte Homes presented a check for \$379,000 to the BOS as a payment to the Town of Rockland as its share of the property sale at Southfield.

### MINUTES

#### 2. Minutes of December 15, 2014

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan passed 5-0.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **3. Rockland Meadows 40B update**

**TA Chiocca provided the BOS with an update regarding the proposed 40B Rockland Meadows project near North Union Street. He had been informed the original proposal was not accepted by MassHousing and the developer may be making changes in order to amend his designation request.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **4. Change of business name-S&J Auto to Webster Street Auto Sales**

**The BOS was requested to approve a change of business name on S & J Auto licenses to Webster Street Auto Sales.**

**~MOTION to approve by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 5-0.**

### **5. Subordination Request-Wayne Darragh**

**The property owners of 46 Liberty Street requested the BOS approve a subordination so they could refinance their primary mortgage at a lower rate.**

**~MOTION to approve by Mr. Welch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Chaffee passed 5-0.**

### **6. Veterans Memorial Committee appointment- John Rogers**

**~MOTION to approve by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Chaffee passed 5-0.**

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### **7. Rockland SEPAC-Toll Booth request**

**Annual request of the Special Education PAC to have toll booths in Rockland with the approval and coordination of the Police Department.**

**~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 5-0.**

### **8. No item**

## **9. Budget Presentation**

Town Accountant Eric Hart presented a proposed FY16 Budget he and Town Administrator Chiocca were recommending to the BOS and asked them to approve to forward the proposed budget to the Finance Committee. Mr. Hart outlined the changes to the budget versus current spending. Mr. Hart thanked the TA, BOS and Departments for their continued cooperation developing the budget.

TA Chiocca thanked Mr. Hart for his efforts. Mr. Chiocca pointed out the solid progress the Town of Rockland has made financially due to the cooperation of everyone involved and all pulling in the same direction.

~MOTION to approve the proposed budget recommendation and forward to the Finance Committee by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Chaffee passed 5-0.

## **10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

- The BOS accepted the Cultural Council resignation of Lena Brownell.
- Announced an increase in Rockland's Chapter 90 distribution to \$598,329.
- Announced Nomination Papers are available for April's Town Election.
- Reminded everyone Annual reports are due by February 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS**

**Chairman Kimball read:**

*Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member.*

**Mr. Welch** -No Comments

**Mr. Ryan** -Thanked everyone for their good wishes during his recent convalescence.

**Mr. Johnson** -No Comments

**Mr. Chaffee** -Announced he would be a candidate for re-election.

**Mr. Kimball** -Provided an update regarding Southfield.  
-Requested TA Chiocca to invite State Representative DeCoste to a future meeting of the BOS.  
-Extended condolences to the Sullivan and DelPrete families.

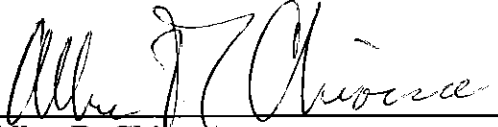
**~MOTION to go into Executive Session for the listed purposes by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Chaffee passed by roll call vote 5-0.**

**30. EXECUTIVE SESSION for**

**-Review and decide grievances of Rockland Firefighters Union**

- A. Firefighter Grievance re: Requiring a physician note.**
- B. Firefighter Grievance re: Denial of request to retroactively have sick leave changed to Injured on Duty.**
- C. Firefighter Grievance re: Administrative Leave decision appeal.**
- D. Firefighter Grievance re: Request for sick note explaining absence.**

**Open meeting ended at 7:57 P.M.**

  
**Allan R. Chiocca**  
**Town Administrator**

  
**Lawrence J. Chaffee, Vice Chairman**  
**for the Rockland Board of Selectmen**

**The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.**